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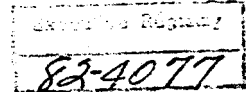
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MEMORANDUM FOR THE VICE PRESIDENT
THE SECRETARY OF STATE
THE SECRETARY OF THE TREASURY
THE SECRETARY OF DEFENSE
THE ATTORNEY GENERAL
THE COUNSELLOR TO THE PRESIDENT
THE DIRECTOR OF CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE
THE CHIEF OF STAFF TO THE PRESIDENT
THE DEPUTY CHIEF OF STAFF TO THE PRESIDENT
THE CHAIRMAN, THE JOINT CHIEFS OF STAFF

SUBJECT: Draft NSDD 19 on Protection of Classified
National Security Information

The continuing unauthorized disclosure of sensitive national security information is of great concern to the President. At Tab A is a draft National Security Decision Directive that would implement a strict new policy designed to reduce, if not eliminate, this leakage.

The primary focus of the draft Directive is on the protection of National Security Council information, but in the last paragraph I have included a requirement for the Agencies and Departments to adopt complementary policies for the protection of other national security information.

We should not underestimate the adverse reaction from the media when the new policy is announced. But I am absolutely convinced that the proposed policy is required, legal, fair and defensible.

At Tab B is a proposed Presidential Statement which could be used with the announcement of a new policy.

Request your comments on these drafts by close of business on Monday, January 11, 1982.

William Clark
William P. Clark

NSC review completed.

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Review on January 8, 1988

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